

Comparing Missouri

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Old Economic Development

- Being a cheap place to do business was the key.
- Attracting companies was the key.
- A high-quality physical environment was a <u>luxury</u> that stood in the way of attracting cost-conscious businesses.
- Regions won because they held a <u>fixed</u> competitive advantage in some resource or skill.
- Economic development was government-led.

Source: Progressive Policy Institute

New Economic Development

- Being a place rich in ideas and talent is the key.
- Attracting <u>educated people</u> is a key.
- Physical and cultural <u>amenities are key</u> in attracting knowledge workers.
- Regions prosper if organizations and individuals have the ability to learn and adapt.
- Only <u>bold partnerships</u> among business, government, and nonprofit sector can bring about change.

Source: Progressive Policy Institute

Six Ps of Site Selection

New Company Attraction/Relocation

Proximity

Close to markets, suppliers, transportation hubs, utility capacity, other required needs.

People

Number with required skills within 30-45 min. drive radius; Number of local graduates in required fields.

Place

"Cool" place to attract/retain young talent; Higher/continuing education opportunities a plus.

Product

Available buildings or sites – shovel ready; Applicable to specific needs.

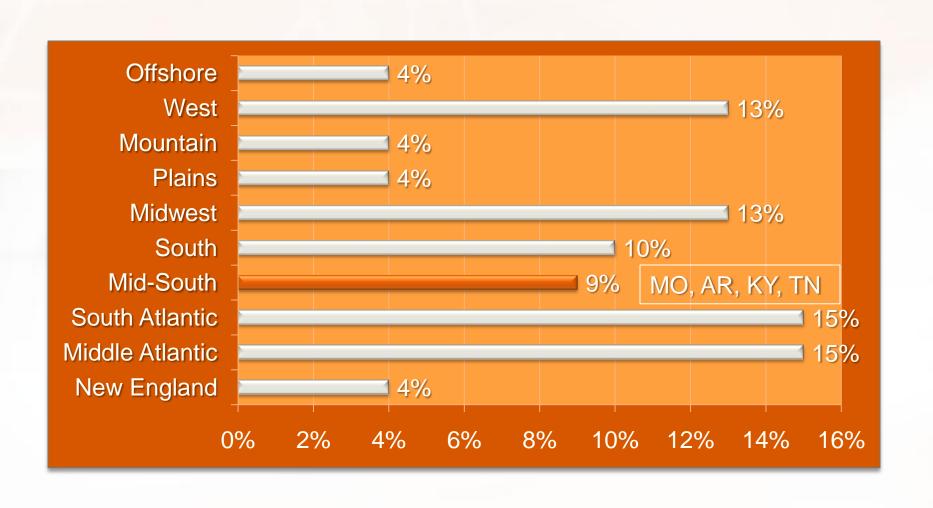
Perception

Supportive local/state government; Cooperative labor situation.

Price

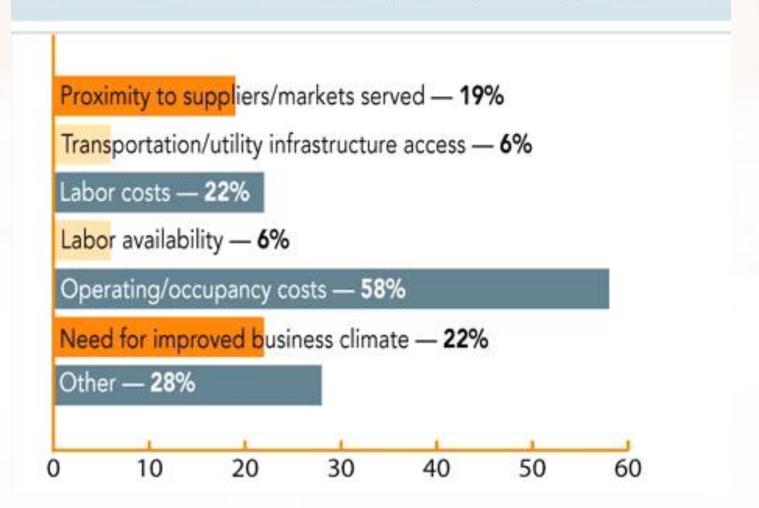
After meeting all requirements above, the finalist that has the lowest overall costs. (Or, in some cases, provides the most upfront funding.)

Where are New U.S. Projects Occurring?



Existing Business - Relocations

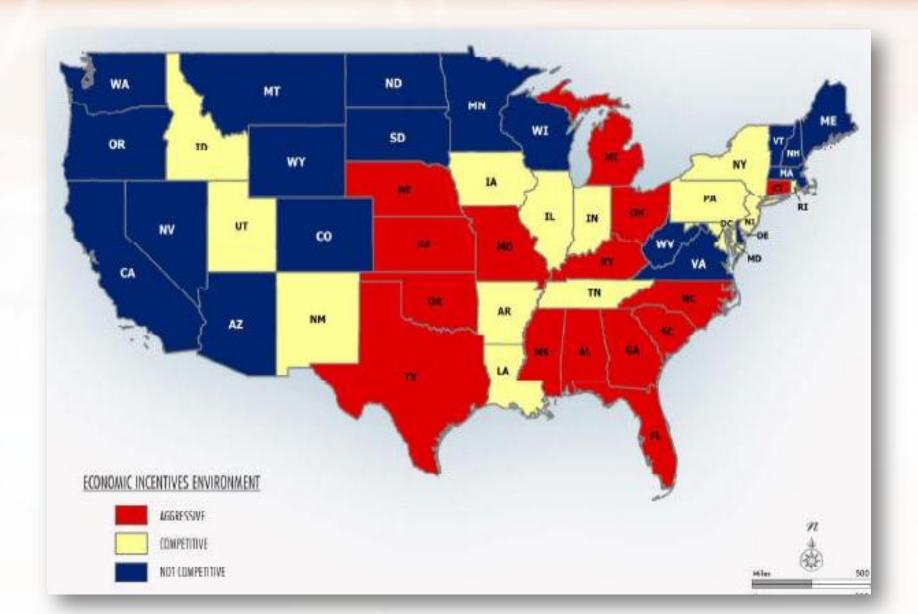
Of those with relocation plans, primary reasons:



MO Rankings – Business Climate

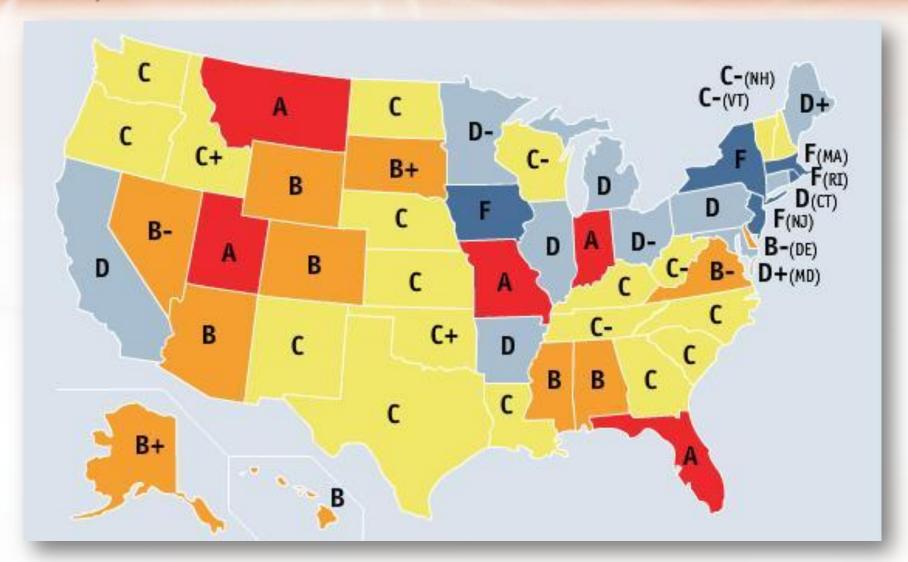
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Economic Incentives Environment 2009, CB Richard Ellis



Business Tax Climate

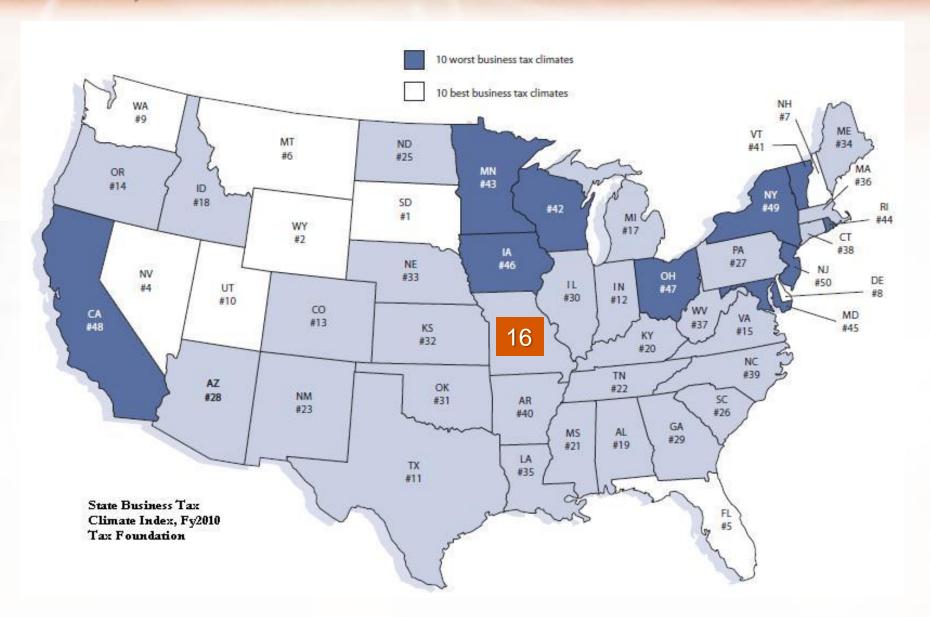
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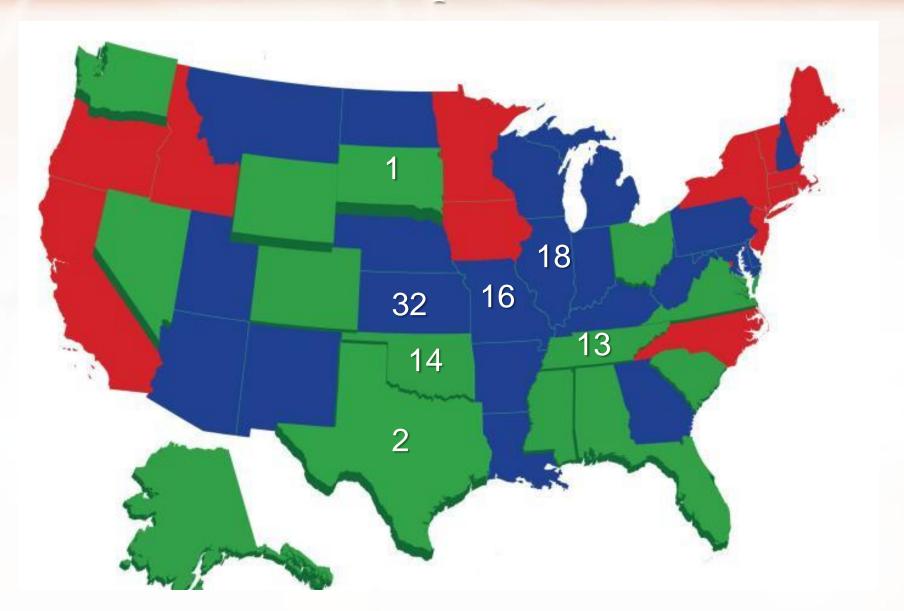
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State Business Tax Climate

2010, Tax Foundation

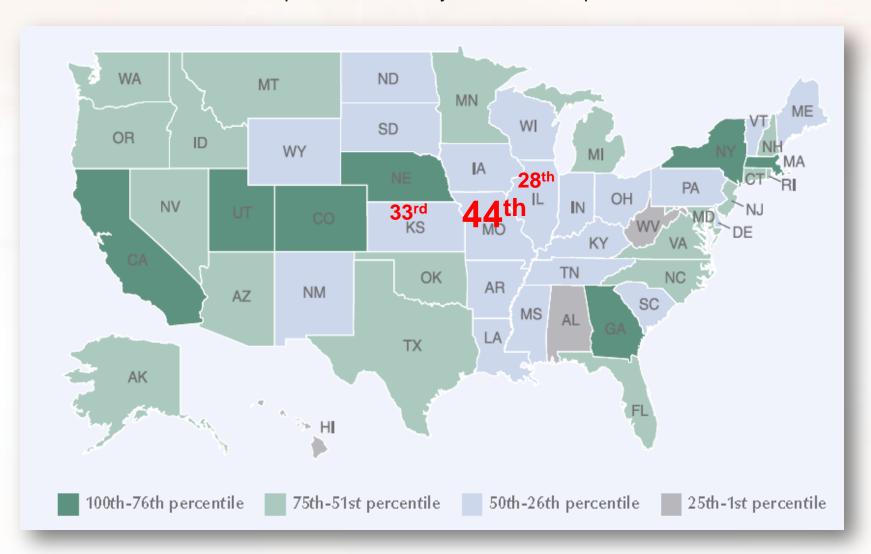


2010 Business Tax Index Small Business Entrepreneurial Council

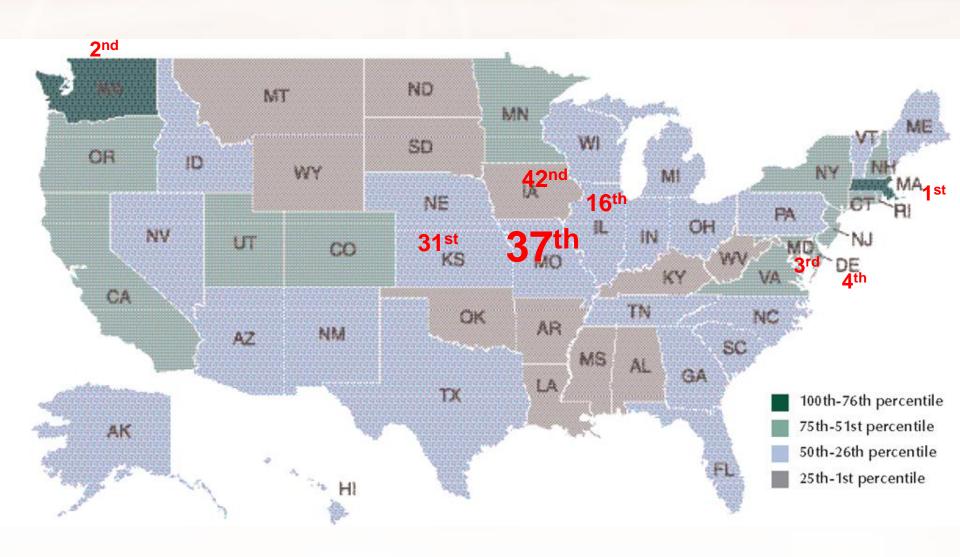


Economic Dynamism Kauffmann Foundation, 2009

Gazelle employment, job churning, fastest-growing firms, initial public offerings, entrepreneurial activity, and inventor patents.



New Economy Index Kauffman Foundation, 2009



Technology and Science Index 2008, Milken Institute

